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STATEMENT
OF THE
EXPENSES
OF THE
TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN,
COMMENCING
MAY, 1826, AND ENDING APRIL, 1827.

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TREASURER'S Statement.

POOR.

Amount of Overseers' draft, by vote of the town \$1500

SCHOOLS.

Amount of Trustees' draft, by vote of the town 6000

HIGHWAYS.

Amount of Surveyors' draft, by vote of the town 2000

CONTINGENCIES.

Joseph White, printing	-	
Barna. Edmands, sealing weights, &c.	-	
Wm. M. Edmands, funnel for stove	-	
John P. Duncklee, warning town meetings,	30	
John Walker, ringing bell at Baptist meeting 1 yr	12	
Francis Adams, wood for Watch-house	7	50
Peter Durell, whitewashing Market-house cellar	7	
John Mitchell, warning town meetings, &c.	18	
J. Sweetser & S. Cutter, building fence at Old		
Burying ground	5	42
J. Sweetser & S. Cutter, do. Bunker hill road	35	50
J. Sweetser, building fence near Stetson's wharf	2	75
Arch'd Babcock, building a common sewer from		
Main Street to the Mill-pond	38	
Do. sundry disbursements on Bunker hill road	8	92
Henry Gardner, lumber for fences	61	94
Winthrop Roberts, repairs on Engine No. 4.	5	75
B. & S. Raymond, oil for Engines	3	
John Gregory, paid \$10 to men watching at the		
late fire on Main street,	10	
A. W. Crowningshield, paid \$4 do. and \$2 do.	6	
William Wiley, refreshment for Engine men		66
Phelps & Thompson do.	2	75
Skinner, Hurd & Co. do.	4	
Sam'l Abbot do.	4	50
Richardson & Bowman do.	6	13
Charles Whitney do.	7	
Wm. Brown, refreshment for 40 men at a fire	10	
Samuel C. Hunt, do. for Firewards	21	
David Dodge, sundry disbursements, &c.	11	49
J. L. Jennison, work on Bunker hill street	12	13
Thomas Hooper, Iron Chest, &c. for depositing		
town records in	51	50
Lewis Hamblin, labor on common sewer, Back st.	42	30
Cheney Richardson, do.	16	67

Carried forward \$479 06 9500

	Bro't forward,	\$479 06	9500
Ambrose Cole, lumber for	do.	19 39	
Goodridge & Fletcher,	do.	44 97	
J. P. Perkins, for refreshment at late fire		3 96	
H. Yvelin	do.	10 50	
Arch. Babcock, paid Anna Tufts storage of powder		39	
D. & J. Bonner, ironing set of Engine wheels		8 62	
J. Robbins, teaming Engine No. 3 to Boston & back		1 50	
Stephen Thayer, repairing do.	-	5	
Joseph Thompson, cedar posts for fence		2 40	
Lewis Hamblin, work on vault at Market house		9 37	
D. Devens, cedar posts for fence on High street, & lumber for do. at Burying Ground, &c.		35 74	
John D. Edmands, lumber, and building fence on Town hill	-	137 52	
A. Roulstone, work on the well near Whitney's hotel	-	10	
Joseph White, printing	-	18 15	
Newell Martin, work on Engine pipe		1 25	
John Hay, making cartridges, &c.	-	21 04	
Do. repairing and cleaning Engine No. 1.		3 50	
Nicholls & Barrett, mason-work on Town house		6 50	
Goodridge & Fletcher, lumber, Engine-house No. 3		15 55	
John Sweetser, work on	do.	24 50	
David Dodge, for blank books, &c.	-	3 35	
Arch'd Babcock, sundry disbursements for Bunker hill street	-	20 48	
Jotham Johnson, posts for	do.	9 06	
Do. poles for Milk Row road		3 50	
Zaccheus Gates, repairs of Town Clock	-	15 50	
Charles Tufts, for gunpowder	-	33 25	
Andrew Roulstone, repairing Engines Nos. 2, & 3		7 75	
John D. Edmands, ladder case	-	1	
Isaac Pratt, painting Engines No. 2, & 3		14	
Jed. Barker, hose for Engines No. 2, 3, & 4		19 75	
Samuel Ferrin, for brick	-	1 60	
Town of Stoneham, taxes for 1826	-	18	
David Fosdick, for a new pall	-	15 58	
Edward Carnes, cordage, &c. for Swing bridge		6 31	
Jeremy Wilson, ash plank for Market house		30 50	
J. L. Jennison, for watch hooks	-	2 50	
John Mitchell, warning town meetings		7	
Engine Company No. 1, playing first at fire at J. Forster's	-	10	
Caleb Symmes, jr. work on drains, &c.		16 88	
Abijah Munro, repairing locks	-	1 58	
Hiram Emerson, mason work on Engine house No. 3		14 50	
Engine Company No. 2, playing first at the fire at B. Brintnell's shop	-	10	
Carried forward		\$1148 29	9500

Bro't forward	\$1148 29	9500
J. Smith, work & materials on Engine house No. 1	27 46	
John Hay, repairs, &c. on Engines No. 2, 3, & 4	5 26	
Jacob Caswell, for pump boxes, &c.	4	
Do. repairs on pumps	15 24	
Amos Tufts & Son, iron work for Market house	21 46	
Jeremy Wilson, labor and materials altering the Market house	183 77	
Oliver Holden, sundry expenses incurred on committee on Roads	37 12	
John D. Edmands, making pump trough, &c	9 40	
Amos Tufts & Son, iron work for engines No. 2 & 3	13 92	
Engine company No. 2, for repairs	50	
Do. No. 3, playing first at a fire on Bolton street	10	
Jonas Tyler, oil and groceries	13 32	
Benj. Badger, jr. surveying and making plan of A. Binney's land	2 50	
Stephen Thayer, engine pipe	10 25	
Leonard Tufts, iron work	9 18	
Peter Durell, wood, and sawing	8 50	
B. & S. Raymond, oil & tallow, engines No. 1, & 5	4 08	
Wm. M. Edmands, funnel, stove work, lead, &c. for Market house	54 30	
John Gregory, mason work, Market house	8 50	
Benj. Edmands, painting Hook and Ladder house and 100 buckets	63 87	
John Adams, lead, nails, &c. Market house	6 04	
Wm. M. Edmands, relinquishing lease of store No. 2, Town-house	30	
Geo. Davidson, printing Annual Statement of expenses	20	
Amos Binney, for gravel	16	
Jehiel Smith, building fence on High street	40 25	
Thomas Hooper, for map of Boston, &c.	3 50	
John P. Duncklee, services as constable	7	
David Dodge, blank books, &c.	1 58	
Ambrose Cole, lumber, Market house	16 84	
Whipple & Adams, for 25 cedar posts of J. Tapley in 1825, for fence on Elm street	5 75	
		1797 88

ASSESSORS.

Assessors, for making taxes. 350

WATCH, AND LIGHTING LAMPS.

Am't of drafts in favor of Watchmen for services	611 27	
Do. for lighting lamps	156 25	
Do. E. Hathaway & Co. for oil	183 70	
Do. J. P. Bradlee, do.	22 91	
		362 86
		974 13

Carried forward \$12,622 01

Bro't forward

\$12,622 01

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Foster & Barton, 50 pairs of Fire buckets	\$220	
Jed. Barker, 250 feet hose	235	
Thomas Hooper, patent engine of W. C. Hunne-		
man & Co.	800	
J. Sweetser, materials and building engine house	125	
John D. Edmands, building Ladder house, and		
sundry jobs in the Fire department	189	31
Lewis Hamblin, labor on reservoir, Back street	173	86
Ambrose Cole, lumber for do.	75	90
Cheney Richardson, labor on do.	34	17
Joseph Thompson, lumber for do.	31	48
John Gregory, brick, lime, &c. do.	27	38
Peter Durell, lighting lamps do.	4	25
John M. Robertson, plank do.	1	60
Devens & Thompson, nails, spikes, &c. do.	1	27
Andrew Roulstone, hose carriage, screws, &c.	42	
Do. ladders, painting crotch poles,		
&c.	127	
Amos Tufts & Son, ironing hose carriage,	27	50
Do. sundries	95	86
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		2211 58

BOARD OF HEALTH.

J. S. Hurd, expense in removing to Rainsford		
island a person laboring under a conta-		
gious disease	22	
John P. Duncklee, distributing the laws and by-		
laws of the Board	3	
G. Davidson, printing Rules and Regulations	6	
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TOWN DEBT.

Interest on \$12,100 at 6 per cent.	726	
Do. 17,500 " 5 " "	875	
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		1601

SALARIES.

Town Treasurer	250	
" Clerk	100	
" Messenger	100	
Clerk of the Market and Police Officer, 5 quar-		
ters, per order of Selectmen, at \$50 pr an.	62	50
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		512 50
Total amount of expenses		<hr/>
		\$16,978 09

The above are the expenses of the town for the current year.

In order that the town may have a full view of their financial concerns, the treasurer makes the following statement of the receipts and payments.

Receipts into the treasury during the year.

Balance on hand last year unappropriated	\$4376 78	
Add for so much allowed for demands against the town unpaid at that time	328 57	
Total am't on hand last year	<u> </u>	4,705 35
Amount of taxes assessed	- - -	15,175 54
Collector's commissions	378 10	
Abatements	- - -	692 60
	<u> </u>	1,070 70
Total amount received from taxes	<u> </u>	14,104 84
Amount received for rents of the Market house		1,399 26
" " of Wm. Phipps, for his note & int. taken by Paving Com'tte	12 75	
" " Robert Calder, do.	46	
" " Cooper, Gould & Robbins, rent of land near Malden bridge	3	
" " Abij. Hovey, for entering drains into common sewer at the Neck	12	
" " Solomon Hovey, do.	5	
" " Benj. Brintnell and L. Turner for tomb lot No. 21	25	
" " Archibald Babcock, for powder sold on acc't of the town	42	
" " Samuel Payson, entering drain into common sewer, Back st.	10	
" " Aaron Hadley do.	10	
" " Tim. Thompson, jr. do.	10	
" " John Skinner do.	15	
" " S. Andrews do.	10	
" " Alex. Bowers do.	10	
" " Caleb Drew do.	5	
" " C. Potter, for liberty to exhibit his public performances	10	
" " J. J. Green, for liberty to exhibit animals	2 75	
" " J. Smith do.	75	
" " A. Tufts, 1 yrs rent Hay scales	20	
	<u> </u>	249 25
Am't borrowed on Note, by vote of the town, passed June 16, 1826, for the Fire dep't		2,000
		<u><u>\$22,458 70</u></u>

Payments made to the separate departments from the treasury during the year.

For the Poor	-	-	-	\$1500
" Schools	-	-	-	6000
" Highways, \$25 79 due last year	2025	79		
" Contingencies	-	-		1800 75
" Watch and lighting lamps				966 37
" Interest*	-	-	-	1659 42
" Fire department			-	2209 98
" Assessors	-	-	-	350
" Board of Health	-	-		31
" Treasurer's salary	-	-		250
" Clerk's	"	-		100
" Messenger's " (\$25 unp'd last yr)	125			
" Clerk of Market (12 50 do)	62	50		
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				17,080 81
Balance on hand				5,377 89
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				\$22458 70

From the above balance of \$5,377 89, is to be deducted \$282 28, being for demands against the town unpaid; leaving a balance of \$5,095 61, which will go to meet the current expenses of the town until the commencement of the collection of taxes that may be assessed for the year 1827, which will be in September next, and will probably be sufficient for that purpose, unless some extraordinary expense should be incurred.

From a review of the amount of Receipts and Expenditures the citizens will perceive that there will be no immediate necessity for an increase of taxes the present year, over and above the last, unless the town should think proper to pay off part of their debt, the amount of which they will perceive by the foregoing statement is \$29,600; and of this amount of debt, \$9,350 are funds under the care of the Selectmen and deacons of churches, bearing an interest of 6 per cent. This interest is appropriated to charitable purposes, under their direction; the residue, \$2,750, of 6 per cents. belong to the Public Schools and individuals: of the five per cent. notes \$10,000 of this amount was for money borrowed for paving streets, the time of payment not having expired, \$2,000 was borrowed for the fire department, and the residue, \$5,500 was borrowed to pay off the last note, due the first of January last, for money borrowed to build the Town-Hall. It was calculated that the proceeds of the Sinking Fund would meet the payment of this note, but the discontinuance of that fund the last year, compelled the treasurer to borrow that amount to meet the payment of the same, and as the two last sums will become due the present year, it will be necessary the treasurer should be au-

* Where notes have become due the treasurer has borrowed the amount for a few months until he could obtain it for a longer time, which increases this sum above the annual amount of interest.

thorized to borrow the like sum, unless the town should think proper to provide means to pay the same, or any part thereof.

Improvements have been made in the Market-House and that building, the leases of which expired on the 1st Dec. last, is now occupied by tenants, who pay an annual rent to the town of \$1,200, from that date—and on the whole the Treasury department of the town may be considered in as good state as at any former period.

All which is respectfully submitted by

DAVID DEVENS,

Town Treasurer.

CHARLESTOWN, April 1827.

The following are the sums voted by the town, for the current expenses of the year.

For the Poor	-	-	-	\$1500
" Schools	-	-	-	6000
" Highways	-	-	-	2000
" Contingencies	-	-	-	2500
" Watch and lighting lamps				1000
" Assessors	-	-	-	350
" Commis's & abatements on taxes				1000
" Interest on town debt				170
" Treasurer's salary	-	-	-	250
" Clerk's do.	-	-	-	100
" Messenger's do.	-	-	-	100
" Clerk of the market	do.			30
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Voted for amount expenses	-	-	-	15,000
And by vote of the town the treasurer was authorized to borrow for the Fire depart't				2,000
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				\$17,000
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Amount in the Treasurer's hands, received of military exempts				\$124

STATEMENT

*Of Expenses and Funds of the Charlestown Free Schools for
the year 1826.*

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Peter Conant, instructing Writing department, Ward			
No. 1. one year, ending Feb. 11, 1827	-	-	\$800
Do. contingencies	-	-	6 77
Cornelius Walker, instructing Grammar department,			
Ward No. 1. three quarters and five days	-	-	611 12
Do. contingencies	-	-	7 63
Charles Pierce, instructing Grammar department,			
Ward No. 1. one quarter	-	-	200
Samuel Bigelow, instructing school in Ward No. 2.			
one year, ending March 8	-	-	675
Samuel Barrett, instructing Female school from Feb.			
4, to July 7, inclusive	-	-	256 66
Do. contingencies	-	-	1 88
Josiah Fairbank, instructing Female school 2 quarters			300
Do. contingencies	-	-	5 04
Ann D. Sprague, instructing Female school 1 year,			
ending Feb. 1.	-	-	300
Do. contingencies	-	-	1 37
Polly Jaquith, instructing Primary School No. 1.			225
Sarah French do. No. 2.			225
Mary Thompson do. No. 3.			225
Roxanna Jones do. No. 4.			225
Adeline Hyde do. No. 5.			225
Mary Walker do. No. 6.			225
Hannah Rea do. No. 7.			225
Elizabeth G. Whitin do. No. 8.			168 75
Contingencies	-	-	37
Mary Flanders, instruct'g school Ward No. 3. 20 weeks			75
Hersina Knight do. No. 4. 20 "			65
Martha Frost do. No. 5. 20 "			60
- - - Contingencies	-	-	2 30
Ann E. Whipple do. No. 6. 22 "			33
E. D. Dyer do. No. 3. 5 mo.			150
P. R. Russell do. No. 4. 4 "			112
- - - Contingencies	-	-	2 77
Charles Tidd do. No. 5.			
15 weeks & 4 days			101 33
- - - Contingencies	-	-	25
Andrew Wallis do. No. 6. 5 months			160
- - - Contingencies	-	-	2 95
Lincoln & Edmands, for school books	-	-	311 87
Crocker & Brewster do. - - -	-	-	241 30
Thomas Greenleaf, repairs - - -	-	-	4 42
Jesse Hall, wood - - -	-	-	5 76
Joel Locke, mason work - - -	-	-	3 46
Joseph Ingalls, repairing windows - - -	-	-	2 40
John D. Edmands, rent, &c. - - -	-	-	8 14
Carried forward			\$6,302 04

	Bro't forward	\$6,302 04
Paid John Ireland, sundries	- - -	52
" Benjamin Russell, printing	- - -	75
" Fosdick & White, repairs	- - -	75
" Joshua Mixter, sawing wood	- - -	4 50
" Betsey Putnam, care of school house in Austin street	- - -	8 00
" Alfred Carleton, wood	- - -	20
" Thomas B. Wait & son, "Journal of Education"	- - -	4
" Ballard & Wright, advertising	- - -	75
" Jehiel Smith, repairs on school house, Ward No. 1.	- - -	17 58
" Daniel Major, blinds for do. No. 3.	- - -	25 33
" Benjamin Whipple, advertising	- - -	3
" Samuel Cutter, blinds for school house, Ward No. 6.	- - -	19 25
" William S. Phipps, sundries	- - -	8 57
" Hall J. Kelley, wood and sundries	- - -	35 98
" David Stetson, wood in 1825	- - -	49
" Do. do. 1826, and sawing	- - -	50 25
" Cyrus Johnson, sawing wood	- - -	1
" Silas Farrar, setting glass	- - -	4 16
" Jotham Johnson, wood	- - -	21 50
" George Davidson, printing Rules and Regulations	- - -	10
" Josiah Harris, setting glass	- - -	10 50
" Abijah Munroe, repairing globes	- - -	1 58
" Samuel Kidder & Co. ink	- - -	11 86
" Cheney Richardson, rep's on school house Ward No. 1.	- - -	12 99
" Walter Russel, wood	- - -	9
" Bunker Hill bank, interest on money borrowed	- - -	13 44
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		\$6,646 31
On hand	- - -	786 53
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		\$7,432 84
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RECEIPTS AND INCOME.

Rec'd of Chester Adams, late treas'r, balance of his acc't	\$ 950 16
" Amount voted by the town	6,000
" Dividend on Union bank stock	157 50
" Interest on town Note	90
" For Books	235 18
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	\$7,432 84
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Funds of the Charlestown Free Schools.

Union bank stock	- - -	\$3500
Town note	- - -	1500
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		\$5000
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All which is respectfully submitted by the Trustees of the Charlestown Free Schools.

BENJAMIN WHIPPLE, *Treas'r.*

CHARLESTOWN, April 1827.

STATEMENT

Of the Overseers of the POOR, April, 1827.

Balance of cash on hand last year	-	\$1,287 05	
Amount received of the Town treasurer		1,500	
Do. of the State treasurer		3,997 92	
			<hr/> 6,784 97
Collected of Wm. S. Phipps for rent		30	
" Kidder & Carter, labor of men		45 83	
" Isaac Delano, rent	- -	56 25	
" Jacob Newcome, do.	- -	37 50	
" John Allison, board	- -	18	
" John Turner's friends, do.		68 75	
" Geo. Gay, Esq. board, &c. of a boy		37 05	
" Josiah Harris, board of pensioners		200	
" S. J. Gardner, for James Condon		34 94	
" Sundry citizens for labor of men		197 61	
" Sundry persons for vegetables		109 69	
" Do. for board		71 24	
" Pork, &c. sold	- -	64 32	
" Brintnell and others for oakum		532 31	
" Pasturing, and barrel of soft soap		15	
" Surveyors of the Highway	-	632 09	
			<hr/> 2,150 58
" of the following towns:—			

Burlington	\$47 40	Woburn	\$42 41
Weymouth	14	Littleton	17 01
Boston	269 46	Chelmsford	1 75
Acton	26 85	Brookfield	10 71
Medford	32 50	Danvers	13 15
Roxbury	14 50	Needham	28 43
Methuen	44 50	Fitchburg	155 33
			<hr/> 718

\$9,653 55

EXPENDITURES.

Cash paid the Keeper's monthly accounts	\$4,661 13	
" Clothing, bedding, &c.	- 849 33	
" 113 cords of wood for the Poor house	593 25	
Carried forward		<hr/> 6,103 71

	Bro't forward	\$6,103 71
Cash-paid Supplies to the poor, in their own dwellings, consisting of 28 families or 87 persons	179 72	
" Supplies to our poor out of town, consisting of 11 families, or 25 persons	164 74	
" Support of the poor of other towns, consisting of 51 families, or 139 persons:—and of State paupers, consisting of 16 families, or 95 persons, all in their own dwellings	794 20	
		1,138 66
Cash paid for improvements, services, &c. viz.		
" Charles Brown, for rent of land	30	
" Caleb Symmes, jr. services, &c.	145 50	
" John P. Duncklee, do.	16 50	
Charles Thompson, iron, &c.	30 36	
Nathan Lynde, for a sleigh	12	
" Dr. J. S. Hurd, salary	50	
" Dr. John Stevens, do.	50	
" Gideon Foster, do.	400	
" Oliver Holden, do.	400	
Balance of Cash on hand	1,276 82	
		2,411 18
		<u>\$9,653 55</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Dr. the Overseers of the Poor		
To balance on hand last year	\$1,287 05	
Cash received of the town treasurer	1,500	
		\$2,787 05
Cr. By balance on hand	1,276 82	
Total net expenditure	1,510 23	
		<u>\$2,787 05</u>

<i>Number of subjects in the Poor House.</i>		
Belonging to the town	-	70
to the state	-	96
to other towns	-	2
Total	-	168

Number of deaths in the House, since last Annual statement, 13.

OLIVER HOLDEN, *Chairman.*

CHARLESTOWN, *April 1827.*

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